

- (1) Of adequate size to be easily read;
- (2) Of a color in distinct contrast to the color of the background;
- (3) Legible; and
- (4) Durably affixed.

(b) *Use of labels.* A proprietor may use labels as the means for applying prescribed marks if the labels meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) *Location.* A proprietor must place the prescribed marks on one side of the case or encased container, or on the head of the package.

(26 U.S.C. 5206)

§ 19.484 Marks on packages filled in production or storage.

(a) *Packages filled in production or storage.* Except as otherwise provided in this part, a proprietor must mark packages of spirits filled in production or storage with:

- (1) The name of the producer, or the producer's trade name, in accordance with paragraph (b) of this section;
- (2) The distilled spirits plant number of the producer, such as "DSP-KY-708";
- (3) The kind of spirits or, in the case of distillates removed under § 19.307, the kind of distillate such as "Grape Distillate" or "Peach Distillate";
- (4) The package identification number;
- (5) "BSA" or "OC" when spirits are treated with caramel (burnt sugar) or oak chips, as the case may be;
- (6) The rated capacity of the package in gallons shown as "RC-G"; and
- (7) The name or trade name and the plant number of the packaging proprietor in place of the name or trade name and plant number of the producer if packages of spirits of 190° or more of proof are filled by a proprietor other than the producer.

(b) *Real or trade names.* The producer's or other proprietor's real name, or the authorized trade name used in accordance with § 19.94 at the time of production, may be placed on any package filled at the time of the production gauge, or at the time of the original packaging of the spirits in wood when, as provided in § 19.305, the spirits were not filled into wooden packages at the time of production gauge. When spirits have been mingled

in accordance with § 19.326, the proprietor may use only a producer name associated with any portion of the mingled spirits on packages filled with such mingled spirits.

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§ 19.485 Package identification numbers in production and storage.

(a) *General.* A proprietor must mark with a lot identification number each package of spirits filled during production or storage operations. The lot identification number must show when the package was filled and must consist of, in order, the following:

- (1) The last two digits of the calendar year;
- (2) An alphabetical designation for the month from "A" through "L", representing, in order, January through December;
- (3) Two digits corresponding to the day of the month; and
- (4) When more than one lot is filled into packages during the same day, for successive lots after the first lot, a letter suffix sequence starting with "A" representing the second lot, with "B" representing the third lot, and so forth. For example: the first three lots filled into packages on January 2, 2002, would be identified as "02A02", "02A02A", and "02A02B".

(b) *Packages constituting a lot.* Packages of spirits, including any remnant package, received from customs custody or filled during any one day will receive the same lot identification number, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) They are of the same type and either are of the same rated capacity or are uniformly filled with the same quantity by weight or other measurement method prescribed in § 19.289;
- (2) They are filled with spirits of the same kind and same proof;
- (3) If they are filled with mingled spirits, the mingling was conducted in accordance with § 19.326; and
- (4) In the case of spirits imported or brought into the United States, they are filled with imported spirits, Puerto Rican spirits or Virgin Island spirits, as applicable.

(c) *Serial numbers.* At the time of filling, receipt on bonded premises, or withdrawal from bond, the appropriate